REMARKS

The allowance of claims 19, 20 and 21 is acknowledged along with the indication that the subject matter of claims 5 and 10 will be allowable if rewritten in independent form.

Claim 1 has been amended so as to incorporate the subject matter of claim 10 and original claims 2 through 8 are dependent either directly or indirectly upon amended claim 1. Accordingly, it is believed that claims 1 through 8 should now be allowed.

The subject matter of claims 5 and 1 has been combined to provide new claim 22, and claims 23-28 are made to depend either directly or indirectly upon new claim 22. Support for claim 23 is found at page 12, lines 29-31. Claims 24-28 correspond to original claims 6-10. It is believed that new claim 22 and dependent claims 23-28 should likewise be allowed.

In view of the foregoing amendments and remarks, and in the absence of any more pertinent prior art, it is believed that this application should now be in condition for allowance, and such action is courteously solicited.

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